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# TESTIMONIAL RESOLUTIONS AND SPECIAL PRIVILEGE

## DETROIT CITY COUNCIL

*Testimonial Resolution***Captain Rodney D. Jackson**  
*“25 Years of Dedicated Service”*  
**DETROIT POLICE DEPARTMENT**

WHEREAS, On April 12, 2019, CAPTAIN RODNEY D. JACKSON, assigned to Organized Crimes, is retiring from the Detroit Police Department after twenty-five (25) years of exemplary service to the citizens of the City of Detroit; and

WHEREAS, POLICE OFFICER JACKSON was appointed to the Detroit Police Department on January 4, 1994. Upon graduating from the Detroit Metropolitan Police Academy, OFFICER JACKSON was assigned to the Thirteenth Precinct. His assignments also included the Western Precinct Support Unit and Homicide Section. On January 22, 1999, OFFICER JACKSON was promoted to the rank of Investigator and assigned to the Homicide Section; and

WHEREAS, INVESTIGATOR JACKSON displayed tremendous aptitude in his assignments, and was promoted to the rank of Sergeant on August 23, 1999. SERGEANT JACKSON'S various assignments included the Homicide Section, Internal Controls, Narcotics Support, Narcotics Enforcement, Second Precinct, South-East Section, Northeastern District, Force Investigation, Office of Civil Rights, Seventh Precinct, Fifth Precinct, and the Gang Intelligence Surveillance Transit Team; and

WHEREAS, SERGEANT JACKSON developed his supervisory skills and was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant on December 19, 2016. He was assigned to the Gang Intelligence Surveillance Transit Team. On May 22, 2017, LIEUTENANT JACKSON was appointed to the rank of Captain and assumed command of Organized Crimes. CAPTAIN RODNEY JACKSON is a recipient of the Ford Fireworks Award, Rosa Parks Funeral Award, MLB All Star Game Award, NFL Super Bowl Award, Conclusion of Confinement Award, Conclusion of Consent Judgment Award, numerous citations, certificates of appreciation and letters of commendation. CAPTAIN RODNEY D. JACKSON served the Detroit Police Department diligently for twenty-five years and daily demonstrated his dedication to the citizens of Detroit. NOW, THEREFORE BE IT

RESOLVED, That the Detroit City Council and office of Council President Brenda Jones, does hereby commend and thank CAPTAIN RODNEY D. JACKSON for his positive contributions to the Detroit Police Department and the City of Detroit.

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# Testimonial Resolution

## MR. CHRIS ALLEN

### *“Celebrating Your Retirement”*

**WHEREAS**, It is with great pleasure and privilege that we, the members of the Detroit City Council, extend congratulations to **Mr. Chris Allen**, President and Chief Executive Officer of Authority Health, on his upcoming retirement after thirteen years of dedicated service; and

**WHEREAS**, **Chris Allen**, is a veteran health care executive whose career spans more than forty years. In 2005, **Mr. Allen** was selected as the first Chief Executive Officer of Authority Health, formerly known as the Detroit Wayne County Health Authority. The public nonprofit agency, created by the State of Michigan, County of Wayne and City of Detroit, is responsible for overseeing the regional health care safety net, including health insurance enrollment and navigation, capacity expansion, workforce development, the population health council, and the Detroit Regional Health Collaborative. From its humble beginnings with only one employee and a grant for \$285,000, Authority Health now has a robust organization of 50 employees and an annual budget of about \$11 million; and

**WHEREAS**, During his tenure at Authority Health, **Mr. Allen**’s accomplishments include developing a community-based primary care residency program, which is the second-largest in the nation, with residents in the five primary care specialties of internal medicine, family medicine, psychiatry, geriatrics and pediatrics; the Detroit Nurse-Family Partnership program that addresses the high rates of poor birth outcomes and provides in-home nursing care for first-time, low-income mothers from the beginning of pregnancy until the child is 2 years old; and another program still in development that will create a population health database to identify levels of chronic disease by zip codes; and

**WHEREAS**, **Mr. Allen** has administered several health care organizations, including serving as the Executive Vice President/Chief Operating Officer at DMC Hutzel Women’s Hospital; DMC Corporate Vice President of Management Services; Administrator at Detroit Osteopathic Hospital; and Assistant Director at the Hutley Medical Center. A fellow of the American College of Health Care Executives, **Mr. Allen** has held leadership positions on numerous local, regional, and national boards such as the Michigan Catholic Foundation, American Red Cross, National Arthritis Foundation, University of Michigan Alumni Society Board of Governors, Greater Detroit Health Council, and the National Association of Health Care Executives – to name a few. He currently serves as the Chair of Bon Secours Mercy Health System, Board of Trustees. Throughout his professional career, **Mr. Allen** has been recognized with many honors and accolades. He holds a Master’s degree in Health Services Administration from the University of Michigan, Bachelor of Arts in Journalism from Wayne State University, and an Associate’s degree in Liberal Arts from Highland Park Community College. **Mr. Chris Allen** is married and the proud father of four adult children. **NOW, THEREFORE BE IT**

**RESOLVED**, That the Detroit City Council and office of **Council President Brenda Jones**, hereby presents this Testimonial Resolution to **Mr. Chris Allen**, to express our sincerest gratitude for his positive contributions to the City of Detroit, County of Wayne and the State of Michigan.

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